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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Condolence Message from Afghan Prime Minister
Taraki to President Carter

Prime Minister Taraki of Afghanistan sent, on February 14, a message of condolence expressing his regrets over the incident which led to the death of Ambassador Dubs in Kabul. Given the passage of time since then and the controversy over the Afghan handling of that incident, we do not believe a reply is necessary or desirable. We also note that Mrs. Dubs has in effect acknowledged the message in a personal letter to Taraki written while she was in Kabul.

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Peter Tarnoff
Executive Secretary

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